

	CLAY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE		Policy 507
	SUBJECT: DISABLED VEHICLES		Approved by: Sheriff Will Akin 06/14/2022
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507.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

- (a) The Clay County Sheriff's Office has adopted this policy regarding providing assistance to motorists in disabled vehicles within this organization's jurisdiction.

507.2 DEPUTY RESPONSIBILITIES

- (a) When a deputy, who is on-duty or operating a Sheriff's Office vehicle, observes a disabled vehicle, the deputy should make a reasonable effort to provide assistance.
- (b) If that deputy is assigned to a call of higher priority, the dispatcher should be advised of the location of the disabled vehicle and the need for assistance.
 - 1. The dispatcher should then assign another available deputy to respond as soon as practicable.
- (c) If a detention deputy or detention officer, while on prisoner transport duty, observes a disabled vehicle, they should not stop to provide assistance but should notify the dispatcher of the location of the disabled vehicle and the need for assistance.
 - 1. The dispatcher should then assign an available deputy to respond as soon as practicable.
 - 2. If the vehicle is located in the jurisdiction of another agency (MSHP, KCPD, Gladstone PS, etc.), the dispatcher should notify the appropriate agency to have them respond to provide assistance.

507.3 EXTENT OF ASSISTANCE

- (a) In most cases, a disabled motorist will require assistance. After assistance is rendered or arrangements for assistance are made, continued involvement by Sheriff's Office personnel will be contingent on the time of day, the location, the availability of Sheriff's Office resources, and the vulnerability of the disabled motorist.

507.3.1 MECHANICAL REPAIRS

- (a) Clay County Sheriff's Office personnel shall not make mechanical repairs to a disabled vehicle.
 - 1. Assisting motorists to change a flat tire is not considered a mechanical repair.
 - 2. The use of push bumpers to relocate vehicles to a position of safety is not considered a mechanical repair.

507.3.2 RELOCATION OF DISABLED VEHICLES

- (a) The relocation of disabled vehicles by members of the Clay County Sheriff's Office by pushing or pulling a vehicle should only occur when the conditions reasonably indicate that immediate movement is necessary to reduce a hazard presented by the disabled vehicle.